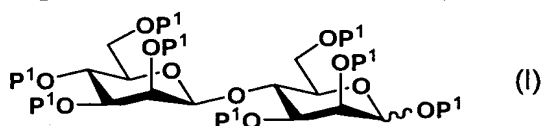


CLAIMS

1. A method for preparing a trisaccharide (Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN) of the reducing terminal in the core sugar chain structure of an asparagine-linked glycoprotein, comprising

(1) a process of preparing a mannose disaccharide compound (a type of ManP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4ManP¹) of the formula (I)

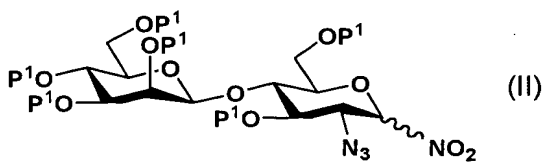


wherein P¹ is an OH-protecting group and the wavy line means that -OP¹ is linked at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both, by hydrolyzing a polysaccharide having mannose β -1,4-bonds and protecting OH groups of the resulting hydrolysate.

2. The method for preparing a trisaccharide (Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN) of the reducing terminal in the core sugar chain structure of an asparagine-linked glycoprotein of claim 1, further comprising each of

(2) a process of preparing a glycal compound, in which mannose of the reducing terminal of the mannose disaccharide is converted to glycal, by halogenation and reduction of the mannose disaccharide (a type of ManP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4ManP¹), and

(3) a process of preparing an azide disaccharide compound (a type of ManP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4ManP¹) shown with formula (II) in which the 2-azide group of mannose in the reducing terminal is linked at the equatorial position;



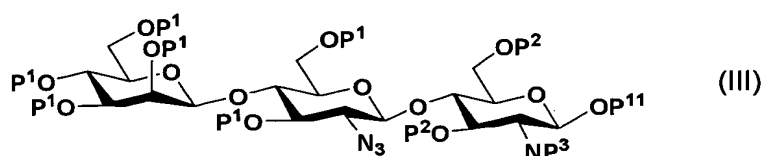
wherein P¹ is the same above, the wavy line means that -NO₂ is linked

at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both,
by azidenitration reaction of the glycal compound above.

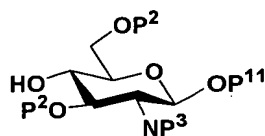
3. The method for preparing a trisaccharide (Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN) of the reducing terminal in the core sugar chain structure of an asparagine-linked glycoprotein of claim 2, further comprising

(4) a process of substituting the nitro group of the azide disaccharide compound (a type of ManP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4ManP¹) with a leaving group, and

- (5) a process of preparing a trisaccharide compound (a type of Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP²) shown with the formula (III);



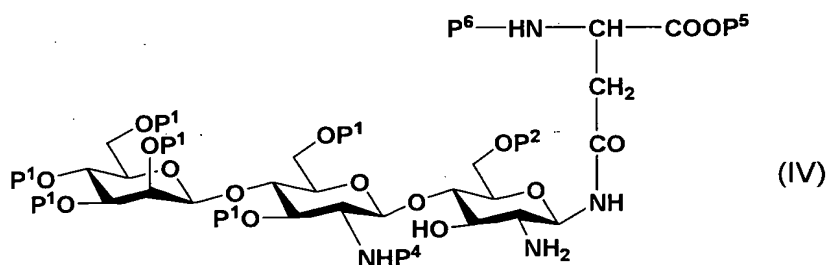
wherein P¹, P², P³ and P¹¹ are the same above,
by a reaction of the product having the leaving group with amino-protected glucopyranoside shown with the formula;



wherein P² is an OH-protecting group, P³ is an amino-protecting group and P¹¹ is an OH-protecting group.

4. The method for preparing a trisaccharide (Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcN) of the reducing terminal in the core sugar chain structure of an asparagine-linked glycoprotein of claim 3, further comprising

(6) a process of preparing an asparagine-linked trisaccharide (Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP²) compound shown with the formula (IV);



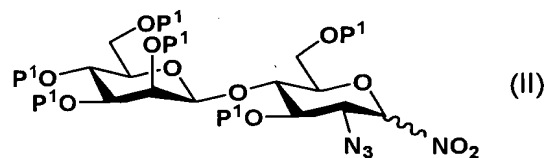
wherein P^1 and P^2 are the same above, P^4 and P^6 are independently amino-protecting groups and P^5 is a carboxyl-protecting group, by coupling of the reducing terminal of the trisaccharide compound above with the protected asparagine derivative.

5. A method for preparing a mannose disaccharide compound (a type of $\text{ManP}^1 \beta 1 \rightarrow 4 \text{ManP}^1$) shown with the formula (I);



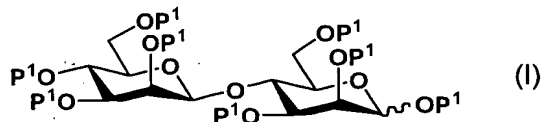
wherein P^1 is an OH-protecting group and the wavy line means that - OP^1 is linked at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both, by hydrolyzing a polysaccharide having mannose β -1,4-bonds and protecting OH groups of the resulting hydrolysate.

6. A method for preparing the azide disaccharide (a type of $\text{ManP}^1 \beta 1 \rightarrow 4 \text{ManP}^1$) shown with the formula (II) in which the 2-azide group of mannose in the reducing terminal is linked at the equatorial position;



wherein P^1 is an OH-protecting group, and the wavy line means that - NO_2 is linked at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both, comprising a process of preparing a glycal compound, in which mannose of the reducing terminal of the mannose disaccharide is converted to glycal, by halogenation and reduction of the mannose

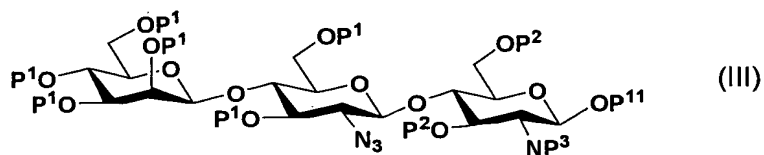
disaccharide compound (a type of $\text{ManP}^1 \beta 1 \rightarrow 4 \text{ManP}^1$) shown with the formula (I);



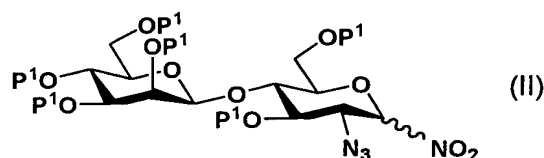
wherein P^1 is the same as above and the wavy line means that $-\text{OP}^1$ is

- 5 linked at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both, and subsequent azidenitration reaction of the glycal compound.

7. A method for preparing the trisaccharide compound shown with the formula (III);

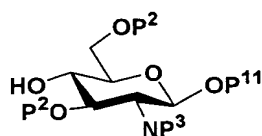


- 10 wherein P^1 , P^2 , P^3 and P^{11} are the same as above, comprising a process of substituting the nitro group of the azide disaccharide compound (a type of $\text{ManP}^1 \beta 1 \rightarrow 4 \text{ManP}^1$) shown with the formula (II) with a leaving group;



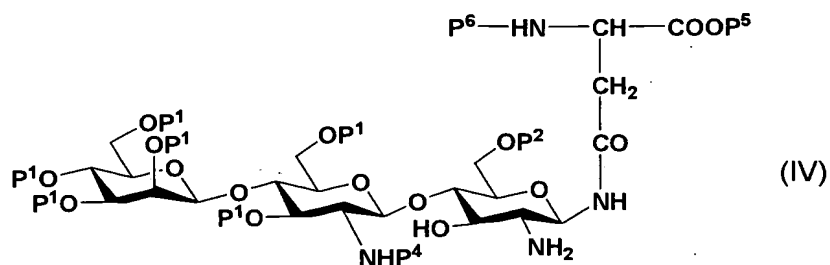
- 15 wherein P^1 is the same as above, the wavy line means that $-\text{NO}_2$ is linked at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both, and the 2-azide group of mannose in the reducing terminal is linked at the equatorial position,

- and next, reacting the substituted compound having the leaving group
20 with amino-protected glucopyranoside of the formula;

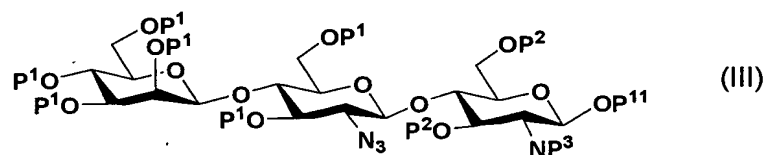


wherein P^2 is an OH-protecting group, P^3 is an amino-protecting group and P^{11} is an OH-protecting group.

8. A method for preparing an asparagine-linked trisaccharide compound (Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP²) shown with the formula (IV)

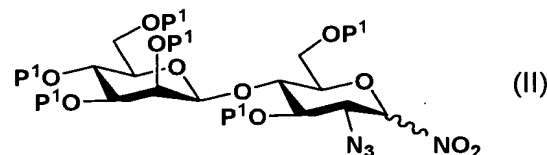


wherein P^1 and P^2 are the same above, P^4 and P^6 are independently amino-protecting groups and P^5 is a carboxyl-protecting group, by coupling of the reducing terminal of the trisaccharide compound (III)



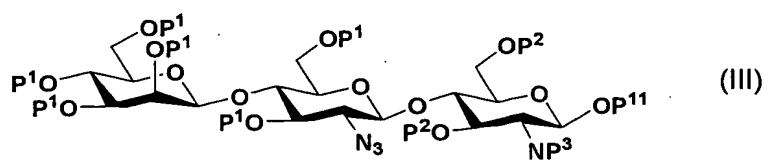
wherein P^1 , P^2 , P^3 and P^{11} are the same above, with a protected asparagine derivative.

9. The azide disaccharide (a type of ManP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4ManP¹) compound shown with the formula (II);



wherein P^1 is an OH-protecting group, and the wavy line means that NO_2 is linked at an axial or equatorial position or mixture of both.

10. The trisaccharide compound (a type of Man β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP¹ β 1 \rightarrow 4GlcNP²) shown with the formula of (III);



wherein P^1 , P^2 and P^{11} are OH-protecting group, and P^3 is an amino-protecting group.